IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

CWP NO. 17242 of 2006

DATE OF DECISION: 2.11.2006

Raj Kumar ....Petitioner.

Versus

State of Punjab and others ...Respondents.

CORAM: HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE J.S. KHEHAR
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE S.D. ANAND

PRESENT: Mr.S.S.Hira, Advocate for the petitioner.

J.S. Khehar, J. (oral)

The petitioner is a Constable. It was his desire that he be deputed to the Lower School Course. For the said purpose, his name was considered and he appeared for a test, on the basis of which the names of Constables were to be short-listed for the said course, on 29.2.2004.

It is the contention of the learned counsel for the petitioner that the petitioner being a Scheduled Caste candidate was entitled to reservation in the process of short-listing of candidates. It is submitted that if those candidates, who are short listed from amongst the Scheduled Caste category and who had acquired marks higher than the marks secured by the general category candidates, were treated as general category candidates (as is settled law at the moment), the petitioner would find his name amongst the reserved seats for Scheduled Caste candidates in the process of short listing.

The legal proposition canvassed by the learned counsel for the petitioner seems to be correct. Even if that be so, it is not possible for us at this juncture to entertain the instant claim at the hands of the petitioner on account of the fact, that in response to the query made by this Court, learned counsel for the petitioner acknowledged that candidates, who had appeared in the test along with the petitioner on 29.2.2004 and who were deputed to the Lower School Course, have since completed their training programme.

In view of the above, it is apparent that the petitioner has approached this Court belatedly and at this juncture the instant writ petition cannot be entertained.

Dismissed.

(J.S. Khehar)
Judge

(S.D. Anand)
Judge

November 2, 2006.
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